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## **Information Technology**

### **UNIT 1: Information Technology Systems**

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#### **Instructions**

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and learner registration number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  - there may be more space than you need.

#### **Information**

- The total mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
  - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

#### **Advice**

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

- 1 Media students in a school create information and event materials.

(a) The media students use word processing software to create the materials.

- (i) Identify **two other** types of software the media students could use to produce the materials.

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- (ii) Explain **two** benefits of using word processing software to create the materials.

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- (b) The students at the school use the internet to research projects. The headteacher is concerned about malware.

One type of malware is a virus that is designed to spread from one computer to another by replicating itself.

Explain **two other** types of malware.

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- (c) The headteacher wants to use an online web form to gather data from students and their parents.

Explain **three** implications that should be considered when designing the web form.

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(d) Discuss how the teachers can use IT to enhance teaching and learning.

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**2** Luca runs a family business from home. His two children study at a college.

(a) Luca has purchased laptops for the family that do not have any software installed.

Explain the terms 'application software' and 'systems software'.

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(b) Luca is considering installing open-source system software.

(i) Explain **two** advantages of installing open-source system software rather than proprietary system software.

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(ii) Explain **one** disadvantage of installing open-source system software.

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- (c) Luca wants to ensure the data on the laptops is protected and secure.

- (i) One way Luca could protect the data is to use antivirus software.

Describe how the features of antivirus software will protect the data on the laptops.

(4)



- (ii) One threat to the security of data is phishing, which tricks victims into handing over sensitive information.

Discuss **other** threats to data.

(8)

**(Total for Question 2 = 22 marks)**



**3** Craig is the manager of a leisure centre.

A new network is to be installed.

The leisure centre includes:

- a storeroom
- a reception area for the staff to take bookings
- an office where all administration work is undertaken
- a members' area with wireless laptops for use by members.

Craig and his staff have access to tablets that they use for personal training sessions and classes.

(a) Draw a diagram to show the integration of systems and software used in this process.

The diagram should include devices and systems that are used, including:

- a server in the storeroom
- 2 desktop PCs in the reception area with wired connections
- 2 desktop PCs and a printer in the office with wired connections
- 3 laptops in the members' area with wireless connection to the internet
- 3 tablets with wireless connection
- connection type(s) used
- annotations.



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Use this space to draw your diagram for Q3a.

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(b) A single-user, multitasking operating system is installed on the tablets.

Describe **three other** types of operating system.

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- (c) Members can pay for classes via the leisure centre's website using their credit or debit card.

Describe how SSL/TLS protocols are used to secure this process.

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(d) Many factors influence the leisure centre's choice for the new network.

**Purchase cost** and **security** are two of these factors.

Discuss **other** factors that should be taken into consideration.

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- 4** Seren Health Centre has a computerised patient details system.

The health centre uses processes to protect its system and patients' data.

One process it uses is username and password authentication.

- (a) Discuss **other** processes the health centre could use to protect its system and patients' data.

You need to consider:

- file permissions
  - access levels
  - backup and recovery procedures
  - physical access control.

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- (b) The health centre uses social media to keep patients up-to-date on important information about the health centre.

Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of the use of social media in the healthcare sector.

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